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## ***Mayor Healy to Host the 20<sup>th</sup> Annual Senior Picnic*** ***Seniors are staying more active with the help of local senior programs***

JERSEY CITY – Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy and members of the **Municipal Council**, in conjunction with the **Division of Senior Affairs**, are hosting the **20<sup>th</sup> Annual Senior Picnic** from **10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Wednesday, May 6, 2009, at the Jersey City Armory on 678 Montgomery Street.** **Governor Jon Corzine has been invited to attend the senior celebration.**

“This event is always one of my favorites every year. Not only is it a good time for everyone, but it also is a way the City and I can commemorate and appreciate the wonderful senior’s in our community,” said **Mayor Healy**. “Our Senior Affairs’ staff and all of the departments that participate in this event go out of their way to organize an extra special day for our senior citizens with food, entertainment, and fun. This year’s picnic is sure to be a great one.”

The event, which is open to all Jersey City seniors at no charge, will feature music, picnic food and beverages. Mayor Jerramiah T. Healy will honor 25 outstanding seniors with proclamations for their work with the community.

“This is one of the highlighted events on our annual calendar,” said **Mayor Healy**. “We average around 2500 senior citizens each year.”

In addition to the Annual Senior Picnic and numerous other recreational programs offered by the Jersey City Division of Senior Affairs, a wide variety of Classes, Clubs, Organizations and Programs are also available for the Senior Citizen Community to enjoy. “Physical and social activities have many benefits which lead to improved health” stated **Mayor Healy**.

The Senior Programs provided by the Division of Senior Affairs offer the community many opportunities to socialize or to learn through a variety of activities, ranging from shopping trips to informational seminars. The following are just some of the programs offered by the Division: information and assistance to seniors, free movies, buses for shopping, senior citizens farmer's market vouchers, health fairs, health screenings, and flu shots, home delivered meals, lunch sites, outreach to

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senior organizations, and many other exciting programs to keep seniors busy all year long! Please contact the Division of Senior Affairs for dates and times of these programs.

“Our goal is to continue to enhance and develop comprehensive programs based on the needs of our senior community” stated **Mayor Healy**. “Each year we add more exciting special events and trips to keep our senior community active and assist in helping them live a healthy lifestyle.”

For more information on the **Senior Picnic**, contact the **Division of Senior Affairs** at 201-547-4777/4361.

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